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Friday, March 4, 1983

R E G U L A R M E E T I N G

7:30 pm

CABLE TV INTERFERENCE

by

Bill Jenkins, WB6LML

The Cities of Palo Alto and Menlo Park will soon be installing a Cable TV system. Bill Jenkins has been attending the Council meetings and suggesting ways to minimize the interference potential of Cable TV.

Meeting to be held at the Menlo Park Recreation Centre, Alma at Mielke, Menlo Park.
 Future meetings: April 1, May 6.

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March 4, 1983

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need not be concerned; the extra \$6.00 was discovered immediately after the Club meeting.

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Letter from Rick Ferranti:

12/21, 1982

Dear PAARA People:

Please continue my membership in PAARA for another year - here is my \$6 dues.

I avidly read the newsletter to keep in touch and enjoy the Editor's style; I also appreciate your sending it first class mail!

Please note the address change.

73, Rick Ferranti
P.O. Box 350
MIT Branch P.O.
Cambridge, MA 02139

(Ed.: Thanks for the letter Rick, and congratulations on what I understand was a very good article publish recently on spectrum analysis.)

Letter from Paul Thekan:

12/28/1982

Dear George:

On a recent "visit" to the F.C.C., I noticed on their bulletin Board the new schedules for both commercial and amateur licensing, which take effect January 1, 1983 as follows:

Commercial radio telephone exams to be held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month from 8:30am to 10:00am.

Amateur exams to be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Extra class	20 wpm	8:30am
Gen./Adv.	13 wpm	10:30am
Tech.	5 wpm	12:30pm
Written, no code		1:00pm

Thought this might be of some help to members heading up there to upgrade. Also if you dial 415 556-7700 at the F.C.C., you will get a recorded message of exam dates and other info from the F.C.C. Also if you dial 556-7701, you can talk to a "live" F.C.C. official.

73, Paul

Club Meeting of January 7, 1983: Points brought up at the meeting included the forthcoming Flea Market and Field Day Preparations. Fred Canham said that the Flea Markets at Foothill College Parking Lot typically gross \$1,600, and that the lease of the lot would be \$50. Electrical power is available from the Museum area. The Club would put \$50 into a pot for printing a flier (enclosed in this issue).

Fred also discussed Field Day preparations. PAARA will have two 40 metre beams this year, as the MUF is dropping. Fred talked of wheeling and dealing for a KLM beam.

Board Meeting Report of January 12, 1983: Much of the meeting concerned preparations for the July PAARA Flea Market. The big bombshell of the evening, however, was Ed Fairbanks request to be relieved of the duties of providing refreshments and raffle prizes at the Club meetings. Ed has been doing these for so long that everyone present had difficulty remembering when Ed had actually started these duties. The consensus was that Ed has provided the refreshments for at least twelve years, at every meeting. Volunteers should contact Ed Fairbanks or Gerry Tucker. Remember, anyone can make up reasons why he or she can't do it; what the Club needs is a person who will take over an essential job.

Fred Canham talked about the two 40 metre Field Day beams. Cam Pierce will lend PAARA one of the beams; Fred hopes to wangle another from KLM.

To close the meeting, Gerry Wagstaffe, W6NIR, examined Gerry Tucker's new Italian briefcase, and announced that it pinches at the bottom! Anyone who doesn't like that joke should contact W6NIR directly!

Board Meeting Report of February 9, 1983: Present were Bill McElhinney, Gerry Wagstaffe, John Buonocore, Wally Porter, Alan Larson, Kevin Lapp, Gerry Tucker, and George Nixon.

In absentia, Clif Keely was directed to make the picnic reservation for Huddart Park on July 9 at the Department of Recreation, Redwood City.

On the topic of Ed Fairbank's replacement as provider of refreshments, there was a total lack of volunteers. None of the Board members present felt able to take over the job, and the various Club members who had been approached had found reasons why they could not take over the job. If your ears were burning that evening, it was probably because you were one of those Club members who

were named by Gerry Wagstaffe as perennially ducking any work assignment.

Volunteers for Ed's job would be appreciated. Contact Ed or Gerry Tucker.

John Buonocore gave us the Post 599 meeting schedule. The Post meets on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 7:30pm at St Thomas Aquinas R.C. Church, Homer and Waverly, Palo Alto. Every Thursday at the same QTH the Post holds its code and theory class. Concerning the Post, the Board passed a resolution that the Treasurer forward a \$20 check to the Post for enrollment of advisors. Your Editor reminded the Post representatives that the PAARagraphs readers would like a regular Post column, and hopefully next issue, we will find out what the Post has been up to.

About Field Day, Fred Canham told of the possible aquisition of a 70' tower, and warned the Directors to be ready for a tower lowering party.

At this point, many of the Directors realized that they would miss the start of the evening's episode of "The Winds of War" if the discussion went on much longer, so they got up and started to leave. Faced with a fait accompli, The remaining Directors adjourned the meeting.

Miscellaneous correspondence: A postcard from Dave Harper, WB6JFH.

2/6/83

Hi Gang,

Just a little note to let you know we are doing fine up here. We had snow in December, but mostly rain since then. I am getting involved in ARES again and am

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